## Bad Mess in China.

orts Being Made to Rescue Troops at Tien Tain.

All the Powers Rushing Warships and Troops to China-Fears that emforcements Will Arrive

Too Late.

London, June 25, 3 a. m -- The n of the international forces in section of northern Uhina where 10,000 men are striving to keep a feeting and to succor the legation in Pekin appears to increase with peril in every fresh dispatch. Pekin has not been heard from direct for 14 days. The last dispatch was inploring aid Admiral Seymour's of 2,000 was last heard from 13 days ago. At that time it was corrected midway between Pekin and Tien Tein Possibly now it has remained Pekin The 3,000 internationals at Tien Tein were hard prese ed and fighting for their lives on ay, and a relieving force of to Take Friday. Observers on the The admiralty has received the fol-

wing from the British rear admiral

"Chefoe, Jene 28 -Only one run-

"News is received as this telegram is dispatched that an attempt to re-lieve Tien Tein on June 22 was re-pulsed, with some loss "

The telegram also said: "The altied admirals are working in period assert with the Russian vice admiral

A press message from Shanghai, deted yesterday at p. m, embodies come later information. It says:

"Official Japanese telegrams constructed from the reports of a defeat of the allied forces at Tien Tein. The fordesperate eltuation The Rus-admiral, Hillebrandt, yesterday a mixed force of 4,000 from to attempt the relief of Tien Mearly half of the force conof Japanese. The remainder made up of coatingoate repre-

The gase of the Chinese around
Ties Tale are superior to anything
the defending Beropean force has or
is likely to have for some time
"The bemberdment of Ties Tein
continued Friday. Bomb shelters
were hastily erected by the foreign

piece goods. The food supplies are cient and the continued shellog is reported to be telling terri

Among those killed of the relief force Friday was the commander of H. M. Barfeur. The foreign maltice were 300

Japan is making every effort Her treops are now arriving at Taku in large sumbers The Chinese treope in the province of Chi Li in-clude 60,000 auxiliaries who have been dritted by Russian and German

Copt Beatty and Lieut Wright b, have been severely wounded at Ties Tole, according to a Shanghal dispatch to the Daily Express, dated Saturday Information was brought these by the British cruiser Orlands for These of the Ressience have been heavy

It was reported from Shanghai lust evening that the altied forces bad blown up the Taku forte and that every available man had been sent to the relief of Tien Tein It is alleged that 2,300 Chinese bodies have been 4,000 Chinese are said to have been killed at Tien Tein

Chinece runners who have arrived at Taku report that a foreign force was engaged several days ago with on overwhelming body of Chinese eand troops now due. No news 40 miles east of Tien Tein At from Tien Tein or Pekin since last Shanghai it is assumed that this force report."

was Admiral Seymour's Daily Express says: "I learn from a great hexard in getting clear, that of Tien Tain the Boxere are massed around Pekin and that more than half of the northern and western portions of the city isoleding the foreign settlement, were affame when the mandarin left He could tell me nothing as to the fate of the foreigners, nor much as to the general situation; but he had board that the empress downger was preparing to go to the province of

es the Tien Tein relief force was night)" machine gune and modern field It would seem that one relieving foreigners would act merely as an incentive to disorder. Minister Wu Westemoreland, Rogers, Clayton, Courtney, Sligh, Quarles, Bruce, defeate of the fereignere, if though sufficient force at Tien Tsin Sunday the president. in small force, greatly side the movement of the Bozers, which is gaining ecormonely through the inability of

to direct orders from Pekin.

Shan Tong, commands 11,000 foreign fact, grows more and more gloomy. drilled troops, organized to a high The entire absence of reliable news pitch of excellence and equipped from the capital seems to justify the with Mausers. It was in the plans worst construction which can be put that these troops should go to Taku, upon it. but the seizure of the forts was effected before they could get there "

Some of the special dispatches from Shanghai describe the great southern provinces of China as still quiet, but others assert that the news | Chinese cruisers which have been ly from the north is exciting the south erners to a dangerous height of feeling and that millions may rise any

Washington, June 24 -The navy department at 1 o'clock this afternoon issued the following bulletin :

A cablegram from Admiral Kempfi dated Chefoo, June 24, says :

"In ambuscade near Tien Tain on the 21st four of Waller's command were killed and seven wounded. Names will be furnished as soon as received. Force of 2,000 going to relieve Tien Tein today. (Signed) Kempff "

The secretary of the pavy has order less then 1,000 had been beaten track ed Admiral Remey to go with the Brooklyn to Taku and to tender to epot think that 100,000 men would Gen. MacArthur conveyance of any net be too many to greep China army troops which the Brooklyn oan

#### ACTING ON THE NEWS.

Washington, June 24 .- Admiral the five days. No information oculd the changes and was turned over to seem almost entirely destroyed and that our people were at the department. With Admiral Commission of the shedding of Ameritant Shan Tung, who is intensely antiforeign, has gone to the Kiang Yin foreign, has gone to the Kiang Yin foreign, has gone to the Kiang Yin foreign, has gone to the Kiang Yin this morning and was turned over to seem almost entirely at the department. With Admiral Commissional the secretary, carried gion." the dispatch to the White House, where, on the president's return from church, it was laid before him. The determination thereupon was reached to order Admiral Remey, in command of the Asiatic equadron; from Manila, to Taku, on board of the armored orui ser Brooklys. The secretary and Ad. miral Crowninshield returned to the navy department where the necessary orders were dispatched to admiral Remey. The effect of this transfer is is an uneasy feeling prevailing here, to make Taku the headquarters of the and an attack is generally astici Asiatie Squadron.

FOREIGNERS REPULSED

London, June 24, 8 20 a m -The only dispatches from China received last night are those which give further details of the repulse of Thereday's attempt to relieve Tien Teia According to a dispatch from Chefoo hordes of Chinese with well posted artillery block the way of the American and Russian forces. The gune of the allies could make no impression and it was found impossible to shift the enemy's position. Nothing could be done except to fall back and this was accomplished in good order. It was ascertained that the foreigners in Tien Tein were making a gallant defense The French concession buildings had been vigorously attacked with fire and in all probability have been reduced to ashee After the force retired an armored train attempted to reconnoiter, but was derailed More troops are arriving at Taku and another attempt at relief with a force of much greater strength was to have been made last (Saturday)

The Chinese legation at Berlin received another telegram last (Saturday) night, stating that all the legations in Pekin were safe and that the foreign ministers at that place

# NUMBER OF AMERICANS AT

Washington, June 23.—In answer to a request from the navy department as to how many Americans were in Pekin, Rear Admiral Kempff replied, under date of June 23, via Chefoo, that 30 Austrians, 75 French, 50 Germans, 79 British, 40 Italians. gremated at Taku and more than 23 Japanese, 75 Russians and 58 Americane are in Pekin

He further says: "No news of whereabouts of Pekin's relief expedition Reported by cablegram June 12 Japanese expect several thou-

This dispatch arrived at the navy The Shanghai correspondent of the department prior to the dispatch announcing that fighting was in progmandaria who etealthily left Pekin rese between Chinese imperial troops on June 16 and who succeeded at and the international column outside

news, which is as follows :

Welsh Fusiliers have effected a june | Chang could reach Pekin and bring olina Military Academy were held today tion with the American, German and about a cessation of the disorder. at the Hibernian ball in the presence of Russian forces which had been cut The proposition is rather a novel a large audience. The exercises were off by the Chinese about nine miles one, and is based upon the repre- of an interesting character and the from Tien Tein. It was proposed to sentations of the viceroys of the programme was observed to the pleas-A Chefoo dispatch to The Daily deliver an assault upon the Chinese important provinces of the Yang Tee ure of all present. Mail yesterday says: "The attack forces at Tien Tein last night (Sunday Kiang valley that they can maintain

to attack the besieging Chinese

"Foreign official opinions here." cays a dispatch from Shanghai, to the ance of the viceroys for continued ing the degree of bachelor of science the foreigners to make headway Daily Express, dated yesterday, "in-Daily Express, dated yesterday, "in- quiet was fully appreciated, the to the graduates making a certain clines to believe that the worst has United States could not bind itself average, the degree was conferred by "Practically the whole of northern happened to the legations at Pekin not to send its forces to points where Col. Gadeden upon Cadete Bradham,

conducted on an extended scale, due Even if the legations were safe on June 19, there is no guarantee that "Gen. Yann Shi Kai, governor of they are safe now. The situation, in

> "Bad news comes from Nan King, where the unrest is said to be growing hourly. Vicercy Liu Kin Yih has telegraphed the British authorities that he has ordered the five ing off the harbor here to proceed to Nan King."

London, June 26, 3.35 a. m -'Gen Mas' army," says a correspond. ent at Shan Hai Kwan, "consisting of 4,000 men, left a week ago for Pekin and Gen Sung Ching's forces. numbering 2,500, left for the same place on June 15.

"A careful estimate of the number and armament of the Chinese troops around Pekin puts the total at 360,-000 and it is calculated that these troops possess 227 centimetres Creu sot guns, 18 Krupp guns and 150 Maxime.

Their supply of ammunition is practically inexhaustible It has been mainly supplied by a German firm at Carlowitz Fully threefourths of the Chinese forces are badly drilled, wholly undisciplined and quite unfamiliar with modern wespons."

Another Shanghai dispatch says:

According to a Hongkong dis-patch dated yesterday, strong re enforcements of Indian police with three Maxime, have been sent to Kow Loon, on the mainland. A Thefoo message of Monday's date, says : "Four cannon have been added to the west fort here, where there are now 1,000 soldiers permanently encamped, a further force having arrived from Ning Hai Chou. There pated. Chinese merchants are closing their offices and preparing to leave the port All business is at a

Extensive preparations by the allies are going farward. The First regiment of British India, 1,000 emparked at Calcutta, yester day, and 833 more marines received orders to go out from English ports. The British war office, in anticipa. Taylor, of Kentucky, started for Niagtion of a prolonged campaign, is contracting for winter clothing and fur | ied by Mrs. Taylor, and four detectives

The Amur army corps, ordered out by Russia, numbers 52,100 men with 84 guns. Japan purposes to of Mr. Taylor upon charges growing land 15,000 men on Chinese territory within a fortnight

Among the minor military preparations the Portuguese governor of is sending arms to the Portugese in guarded and Mrs. Taylor personally Canton The Germans in Hong answered every rap upon the door. She kong have cabled Emperor William to ask if they may serve in the local forces in defense of Hongkong. A million rounds left Hongkong yester day for Taku by the British steamer

The Shanghai correspondent of yesterday's date :

'A military correspondent at Taku says that the operations of the allies are suffering from the want of a re cognized head, defective organiza. tion, and the lack of transport.

Mr. Kinder, the noted engineer, has arrived at Chefoo.

FOREIGNERS ENTER TIEN TSIN

Bulletin-Cheefoo, Tuesday, June 26.—Rear Admiral Kempff reports, by a Japanese torpedo boat, that the combined forces entered Tien Tein on Saturday, June 23, sustaining

They started on Sunday to the re lief of the force which left Tien Tein on June 10, and which is believed to be surrounded near Pekin.

According to Japanese reports Admiral Seymour has been captured and the ministers have left Pekin, left guarded by Chinese soldiers Their whereabouts is unknown

#### NOVEL PROPOSITION OF CHI NESE MINISTER

Washington, June 25 -The chief London, June 26, 3 35 a m -The development to day in the Chinese British cruiser Terrible has arrived situation was the effort of the Chinese tenure to be "until otherwise ordered" at Chefoo from Taku with the latest minister, Wu Ting Fang, to secure an armistice in the operation of "Eight hundred Sikhe and 200 American troops until Li Hung mencement exercises of the South Carorder without the aid of foreign Gadeden to the following graduates: retreeting. Forwarding detachments another. At any rate, it is apparent brought representations to the atten. Courtney, Sligh, Quarles, Bruce, in this menner is suicidal, and the ly certain that the allies arrived in tion of Secretary Hay who consulted Cochrane, Haynsworth, Snelgrove and as subsequently conveyed to the In accordance with the bill passed minister, was that while the assur- at the last session of the legislature giv



the safety of our officials and citizens was endangered. Technically speaking, in the absence of a state of war, "Li Ping Heng, former governor of this was not a proposition of armistice but high government officials said it amounted practically to an offer of armistice and the refusal on

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### Taylor Flying From Arrest.

Philadelphia, June 25.—Broken in bealth and spirit, ex-Gov. Wm 8. ara Falls tonight. He was accompanfollowed close at their heels. Two of the officers represent the State of Kentucky and bear warrants for the arrest out of the assassination of Gov Goebel. The other two are employed by Mr. Taylor to guard his person

The strain is telling on both Mr. and Macao, Island of Macao, at the Mrs Taylor. All the time they were southwest entrance of Cantou river, in the city their rooms were closely denied herself to all callers and was on the verge of collapse several times.

It is understood that Mr. Taylor will not be surrendered to the Kentucky authorities by Governor Roosevelt, and that he will be immune from arrest until be shall return to Indiana, where The Times sends the following under be is now making his home, or until some time as he shall return to Kentacky of his own volition.

## Rathbone's Removal.

Washington, June 25 -The post master general has issued an order removing from office Estes G. Rath. bone, who had been suspended by a former order from the position of director general of poets of Cubs, and detailing Martin C. Foenes, an inspector in the postal service, to perform the duties of director general of posts until further orders. Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow has been relieved from further work in Cubs and has sailed for home

Today's action in removing Rath. bone, Postmaster General Emory Smith said tonight, was not taken because of any fresh developments in the Cuban postal fraude affecting the deposed director. When Mr. Bristow, who has been conducting the investiga. tion, left the island he designated Mr Fosnes as acting director and to sim. plify the matter and avoid a makeshift arrangement, Mr Smith decided to appoint Mr. Fosnes as director, his

Charleston, June 25 - The com

The diplomas were presented by Col.

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